



# Egerton Primary School

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**Through dynamic teaching, a highly creative curriculum and supportive environment, every Egerton child gains a passion for learning. When combined with the knowledge, skills and values they develop, we enable our children to fulfil their potential as global citizens in an ever-changing world**

Dear Parents,

I need to thank you all once again for being so supportive of our protocols in school, especially in your time keeping and ensuring you socially distance at drop off and pick up. In light of this we are now in a position to move a small step forward in streamlining drop off and pick up and making it more in line with what would normally happen whilst still maintaining strict social distancing. I am mindful that the weather will be changing and we need to ensure lessons start with all children on time. We tested it today at pick up. It will be better with all classes being there at 3.20pm.

## **From Monday 21 September – drop off and pick up**

- Drop off will be from 8.45am for Reception and Years 1-4. Years 5 and 6 through the main entrance at 8.40am followed by Year 4 at 8.45am. The older children must not arrive too early.
- Reception and Years 1-3 via the Infant playground. Staff will be there from 8.45am. We are keeping to the same system of one way, socially distanced and exit through the new 'departure channel' via the carpark. **All children must be in school by 9am as the gates will then be locked. Arrival after this time has to be via the school office.**
- Pick up will be 3.20pm for Reception and years 1-4 in the infant playground. Mr Buckley will open the gates from 3.10pm for parents to come on site and socially distance in the top half of the playground. All classes will be brought into the playground at 3.20pm ready to be dismissed. When a parent is spotted the children will step out of their line and enter the 'departure channel' to meet their parent and leave via the carpark. It will be clearly marked out.
- Years 5 and 6 will be dismissed at 3.20pm via the main entrance.
- Siblings in Year 5 and 6 – pick up after the Infant playground pick up.
- One adult only
- Adults are very welcome to wear masks. Please do not enter the school building including the school office unless absolutely necessary. Please send letters in with your child or hand to an adult in the playground.
- We will carefully monitor this and I will always be around. It does mean that the children will arrive and leave at the end of the day in a shorter amount of time.

Groups	Drop off time	Pick up time	Arrival Location	Pickup Location
Reception	8:45	15:20	Playground gate; Reception classroom door	Infant Playground; Reception classroom door
Year 1	8:45	15:20	Playground gate; Year 1 classroom door	Infant Playground; Y1 classroom door
Year 2	8:45	15:20	Playground gate; Year 2 classroom door	Infant Playground
Year 3	8:45	15:20	Playground gate; Year 3 classroom door	Infant Playground
Year 4	8:45	15:20	Main entrance; ICT suite	Infant Playground
Year 5	8:40	15:20	Main entrance; Y5 classroom door	Main entrance
Year 6	8:40	15:20	Main entrance; Y6 classroom	Main entrance

### When to get a test?

We sent home a very useful poster giving clear guidance on when to get a test. It is very clear that this system is overloaded and many are going for tests when it is not necessary. This is a really difficult time and I have had a lot of conversations with parents whose children have come down with a cold and whether to book a test. This poster should help.

If you or your child is suffering with clear covid symptoms, a test must be booked and all family members must stay at home until the result is received. **Only those with symptoms should get a test.** School must be informed via [admin@egerton.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@egerton.cheshire.sch.uk)

### Reading books

We have recently purchased a new set of banded reading books, as well as bench marking scheme. Together they make an excellent resource for us to assess children's reading accurately.

Over the last week, children in Year 1 to Year 5, who are reading banded books, have been listened to read and assessed using the new scheme.

This process has taken some time, however we feel that in light of the current situation and having brand new books; this was extremely important in supporting the children. Thank you for your patience in regard to this. All children will start to bring home a reading book next week. Your child's class teacher will send you a letter with clear information about the book band your child is going to be reading for their independent reading.

This means the book band they will be reading at home with family members or to themselves. This information will also contain advice about how to support your child further with their reading.

Children who are free readers have explored the reading books in their classrooms this week and have been given a book to read in school and at home.

Your child may read a different book band in school with the class teacher, as well as exploring a wide range of texts in all subjects to challenge and develop their reading skills further. Children in Year 1 to Year 6 have two hours of reading lessons every week where they read and explore a range of different texts; especially fiction, non-fiction and poetry.

### **Uniform**

I am really impressed by how smart the children have come back to school. However, we do have an issue with jumpers and cardigans not having names in them. **Please name your child's uniform.** Hair that is shoulder length should be tied back and long fringes clipped back as some children are finding it hard to concentrate and this can lead to headaches. Thank you for ensuring the children are arriving in their PE kits of those days.

**Every day is a new day!** This is our new approach to life at school and in general. The children have returned with such high levels of positivity and eagerness to learn. This has been wonderful to see and it has also had a positive and profound effect on staff wellbeing too. Thank you for your contributions too and kind comments to the staff.

Have a wonderful weekend!

### **Come and Join Our Team**

We would love another team member for 3 hours per week to join our amazing mid-day assistants on Thursday and Friday. The hours are 11.45am-1.15pm. Please contact Mrs Brown [admin2@egerton.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin2@egerton.cheshire.sch.uk) if you are interested in this role.

### **EGERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL** **HOLIDAY DATES 2020/21**

	<b>School Closes</b>	<b>School Re-opens</b>
Autumn Half-Term	Friday, 23 October 2020	Monday, 2 November 2020
Christmas	Friday, 18 December 2020	Monday, 4 January 2021
Spring Half-Term	Friday, 12 February 2021	Monday, 22 February 2021
Easter	Thursday, 1 April 2021	Monday, 19 April 2021
May Day	Friday, 30 April 2021	Tuesday, 4 May 2021
Summer Half-Term	Friday, 28 May 2021	Monday, 7 June 2021
Summer	Friday, 16 July 2021	

**INSET Days: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July, Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July, Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July**